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### VIA E-MAIL THORUGH COMMITTEE COUNSEL

The Honorable Richard Burr Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence The Honorable Mark Warner Vice Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

## RE: Response to Committee Request for Intelligence Community Whistleblower to Meet with Committee Counsel

Dear Chairman Burr and Vice Chairman Warner:

I write in response to your letter dated September 24, 2019. In your letter, you requested that our client meet with Committee counsel no later than Friday, September 27, 2019.

While our client is willing to meet with the Committee if that is determined to be necessary, we have yet to be provided with direction on doing so in accordance with appropriate security practices per 50 U.S.C. § 3033(k)(5)(D)(ii)(II). We have reaffirmed our client's request for direction by correspondence to Acting Director Maguire, a copy of which is included as an enclosure. Furthermore, we have requested for the Acting Director to process and grant myself, I. Charles McCullough, III, and Mark S. Zaid the appropriate security clearances so that legal counsel may be in attendance at any meetings with our client. I am sure you can understand that it is imperative that a whistleblower, especially one caught up in such a high profile matter involving the President, have experienced legal counsel by their side. Your cooperation in ensuring this occurs would help facilitate a future meeting or testimony.

Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Andrew P. Bakaj

Lead Attorney for the Intelligence Community Whistleblower

Enclosures: As stated.

# **ENCLOSURE**

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## VIA E-MAIL THROUGH THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Honorable Joseph Maguire Acting Director of National Intelligence Office of the Director of National Intelligence Washington, DC 20511

### RE: Congressional Intelligence Committees Request for Whistleblower to Appear

Dear Acting Director Maguire:

By correspondence dated September 24, 2019, Congressman Adam B. Schiff, Chairman, Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, formally requested that our client appear before the committee for a voluntary interview on Thursday, September 26, 2019. By correspondence dated September 24, 2019, Senator Richard Burr, Chairman, and Senator Mark R. Warner, Vice Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, formally requested that no later than Friday, September 27, 2019, we make our client available for a closed, bipartisan interview with Committee counsel.

In order to comply with the requests, I reaffirm my request for direction on how our client can proceed in accordance with appropriate security practices per 50 U.S.C. § 3033(k)(5)(D)(ii)(II).

Additionally, we also respectfully request that myself, I. Charles McCullough, III, and Mark S. Zaid be processed and granted the appropriate security clearances so that legal counsel may be in attendance at any meetings with our client. Legal representation is imperative in these matters.

I again thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter, and I look forward to your forthcoming guidance.

Sincerely,

Andrew P. Bakai

Lead Attorney for the Intelligence Community Whistleblower

Enclosures: None.

cc: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence